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[REDACTED] herewith is the latest progress report
on the CARCASS project. In view of the problems encountered
with CACCOLA 2, it is requested that this report be brought
to [REDACTED] attention and his comments on the recommenda-
tion below be solicited.

Ever since the project started we have been faced
with two problems in connection with CARCASS: first, the
psychology and fanaticism of CACCOLA 2 which is not
offset by the either leadership or operational back-
ground and the events which contained in
CACCOLA 7.

3. In the case of CACCOLA 2 it is obvious that he is
purely a party hack who was assigned to the project to keep
an eye on the Americans and keep the CABOCHE 1 "line" from
being tilted with any hint toward U.S. influence. This was
expected by [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] were basically competent in other
fields, but the surprising on the "vedushchi"
could, that is). However, as a series
has shown, CACCOLA 2 has no background,
render, and is unable to lecture on any
active manner. The detailed outline of the
as done originally by CABOCHE 7, and yet even
CACCOLA 2 is incapable of making a
with that much detail in the basic plan without running to
single decision. It is too busy to attend to every detail.
CABOCHE 7 who is [REDACTED] too busy to attend another
It is therefore recommended that for the next cycle another
chief CARCASS representative who has some reseeing qualities
be assigned and that [REDACTED] CACCOLA 3 handle the
project for the remainder of the cycle.

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and the following day he was seen at the station by Mr. G. W. L. Smith, who had been sent from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to take charge of the investigation. The body was found to have been shot through the heart, and it was evident that the man had been dead for some time before his body was discovered.

SUBJECT: ALROGOL/CARCASS/Progress Report, 6 Dec. 51 - 20 Jan. 52

1. Introduction: During the period covered by this report the CARCASS school has progressed as well as might be expected. The most noteworthy events were the tentative assignment of missions to three CARCASS trainees (see MGMA-8102) and the disposal of CACCOLA 12. Our relations with all CARCASS personnel are excellent.

2. Training: In general, training has proceeded along the lines drawn in the master training program, although somewhat more slowly than was originally hoped for. This was in a great measure due to CACCOLA 12's meager intellectual capacities which made instruction very difficult. Since CACCOLA 12's departure considerable progress in the tempo of the training has already been achieved. More hours have had to be allotted to Conspiratorial Techniques ("Konspiratsiia"), and more time devoted to para-training because of shaky tower performances on the parts of CACCOLA 6 and CACCOLA 12. Photography has been dropped from the training program because it is not essential to the performance of the missions, and because we lack the time necessary to do an adequate job of photographic training. Our main problem now is to reassess the training program in the light of the missions assigned to the students, and the remaining time available to us (it is currently planned to dispatch all 3 by the middle of May). The job of reassessing and revamping the training program is made extremely difficult by the fuzzy approach of CACCOLA 2, who even at this late date is unable to decide what subjects should be taught, much less to furnish a breakdown of the subjects he has undertaken to instruct in. [] are making a strong stand on this question, and a revised training program will be submitted as soon as possible.

3. Morale: Among factors contributing to the currently good morale, the following may be noted: good discipline, progress in training, the absence of CACCOLA 12 who was out of step 24 hours a day; trips to the opera, skiing, skating and fishing (through the ice). Interestingly enough the trainees are now showing far less inclination to go off on weekends than formerly.

4. Personnel:

(a) CACCOLA 2 is proving a disappointment. In the first place his lectures continue to be poorly organized and presented; in the second place he is reluctant to face difficult problems and even more reluctant to make the firm decisions necessary to solve them. We dallied and dallied with CACCOLA 12 interminably, and in the final hour of decision CACCOLA 2 changed his mind three times. (CACCOLA 3 changed his only twice!) With such shortcomings he is not fit to handle an operation of this sort. CACCOLA 2 is frequently forced to leave the school on other CABOCHE 1 business which is not

in any way connected to the CARCASS project. Although in many ways things go better in his absence, the administration of the school, particularly the disbursement of finances, is made very complicated because it is all supposed to be in his hands as nominal head of the school. Also, CACCOLA 3 is reluctant to approach such questions as revising the training program and planning of legends in CACCOLA 2's absence.

(b) CACCOLA 3 is also no disciplinarian. Twice, when [redacted] were both absent overnight, the men refused to get up for PT before breakfast, and he was unable to cope with them. Like CACCOLA 2 he is ineffective when command decisions are in order. However, his subject material is well organized and presented in an orderly fashion.

(c) CACCOLA 4 is working hard and well. He continues neither to smoke nor drink and in the last two months has had no temperamental outbursts. Of great help is his forthright affection and admiration for Americans.

(d) CACCOLA 5 showed excellent self-control in overcoming his fear of para-training. Although constitutionally afraid of heights he jumps off the platform in a masterly fashion. Although he is drinking less, alcohol still remains a serious problem for him.

(e) CACCOLA 6 is now the most problematical of the trainees. His morale was seriously shaken when for two sessions he was incapable of going off the platform. Strangely enough he did satisfactorily on the first session. During the fourth session, he managed to "fall out" once and now feels he will be able to pull himself together for the next session. His lack of self-control plus his occasional pessimistic moods may present serious difficulties when dispatch time comes.

(f) CACCOLA 8 is capable, conscientious and no morale problem. CACCOLA 9 is also a great addition. CACCOLA 10 was beginning to get lazy until CACCOLA 2 departed for two weeks and we took him in hand.

Administration

(a) We are grateful for the increased help we are now receiving from the CSOB/K Support Section. Our current chief requests are for photostatic copies of occasional raionyi and oblastnyi papers apparently available in the Library of Congress. We should also like to have pictures of those non-military uniforms currently being worn in the U.S.S.R., e.g. militia, EVD, miners, etc.

(b) Major Hawkins, the Fussen sub-post commander, readily agreed to include us in his evacuation plan, and, pending other instructions we are planning to evacuate with his unit. He has agreed to let us detach ourselves from the column at any point between Kempten and Bordeaux.

Special Problems

Disposal of CACCOLA 12. The disposal of CACCOLA 12 was simplified by the fact that he was a member of an organization that could assume responsibility for him. On 16 January CACCOLA 2 accompanied him to Frankfurt with the understanding that he would find him a useful job in some other branch of the organization. CABOCHE 7 had previously been advised of the possibility of this eventuality.

On the evening of January 15 at a special "cell" meeting to which [redacted] were invited, CACCOLA 12 was officially informed that CACCOLA 2 had informed all by CACCOLA 2 that CACCOLA 12's "drunken behavior" in Germany had caused him to be discharged from his job as a teacher for lack of education -- handicaps for which he was in no way responsible. It was further explained that the cause of his departure, if not the procedure, was rather complicated and compressive. On the following day CACCOLA 12 signed two oaths of secrecy: one of Christian andaceous of CABOCHE 1 with the wrath of the Almighty as punishment for breaking it; and the other, as a man who has been exposed to secrets affecting the national security of the U.S. government, who would expect no punishment for the breach of his oath and trial under U.S. treason laws.

It should be added that CACCOLA is left in a sad but not a gloomy mood, and his sense of responsibility and happiness in his job should assure his secure behavior. No money or course of action of him through CABOCHE 1.

Comments

Mr. Baldwin, American Resident Land Commissioner in Kempten, was asked about our unit. Mr. Baldwin answered:

On December 10

Asked what he had heard about our unit.

Answering:

(a) Attention is focused on the Alatsee Hotel because the town has been negotiating for its deacquisition, known tourist resort.

(b) There are rumors circulating about the search nature of Because of its location on the border and because cars go forth at all hours of the day and often at night, many of the people believe we are probably engaged in tracking down nucleus, many of whom cross the border in this area. However, the chief of police informed Mr. Baldwin that we were doing the same thing as the people in Kaufbeuren are doing. What the latter are doing, Mr. Baldwin said he did not know.

(c) There is a well organized although apparently fairly communist organization in Fussen. Communists occupy the official posts: Assistant Chief of Police, Head of the labor Labor Bureau. (The Town Council is Nazi.)

Mr. Baldwin closes out the Land Residency in February. His secretary of five years is a middle-aged, apparently very intelligent lady, trained by the German intelligence. She speaks Estonian and Russian as well as German and English. She is reportedly discreet. Furthermore, she lives in Bad Faulenbach, the Communist center on the road to Alatske. It is suggested that this lady or someone else recommended by Mr. Baldwin might be useful as a security check when the Residency closes down. She could simply be asked by Major Hawkins to report to him all that she happens to hear concerning the activities of all Americans in the area.

8. Missions: The missions for CACCOLAs 4, 5, and 6 were agreed upon at a conference with CABOCHE 7 on 29 December 1951. The operation plans for all 3 have been submitted (MGA-8102). At present [] and CACCOLAs 2 and 3 are working out the details of the legends. [] are keeping in close touch with the Support Section, USUB/R.

9. Conclusions: Despite a lack-luster performance on the part of CACCOLA 2, the SARCAST school is progressing smoothly. Although there are occasional differences of opinion between Sabarth and Hieger on one hand and the CABOCHE 1 instructors on the other, the overall relationship is a harmonious one. As far as the students go, they increasingly look to the Americans for leadership and guidance rather than to their own instructors. Providing the necessary documentation and briefing material is available in time to do a thorough briefing job, the 3 students should be trained and ready for a May dispatch.